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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT TACOMA

9 JERELL MARSHON JACKSON, JR.,

10 Plaintiff,

11 Case No. C22-5959-JCC-SKV

12 v.

13 TODD E. GOODWIN, *et al.*,

14 Defendants.

15 ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANTS'
16 MOTION TO SEAL PRISON
17 SURVEILLANCE VIDEO

18 This is a prisoner civil rights action proceeding under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. This matter
19 comes before the Court on Defendants' motion to seal prison surveillance video filed with their
20 pending motion for summary judgment. Dkt. 61. Plaintiff has filed no response to Defendants'
21 motion. The Court, having reviewed Defendants' motion, and the balance of the record, hereby
22 finds and ORDERS as follows:

23 (1) Defendants' motion to seal the prison surveillance video (Dkt. 61) is GRANTED.

24 The Court finds there are compelling reasons to seal the video surveillance footage. Although
25 there is a public interest in having access to materials submitted as part of a motion for summary
26 judgment, that interest is outweighed here by the overwhelming compelling interest in
27 maintaining the confidentiality and security of Department of Corrections' facilities. Moreover,

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1 any public interest or legitimate need to know the information can be preserved to some degree
2 by descriptions of the video contained in the parties' briefs and/or the Court's written ruling on
3 the motion for summary judgment. Finally, the Court concludes there is no lesser way to protect
4 the interests at stake here due to the nature of the evidence and the concerns presented by such
5 evidence.

6 (2) The Clerk is directed to send copies of this Order to Plaintiff, to counsel for
7 Defendants, and to the Honorable John C. Coughenour.

8 Dated this 18th day of September, 2024.

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11 S. KATE VAUGHAN
United States Magistrate Judge